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HOUSE BILL 3343

By Ferguson

AN ACT to amend Chapter 328 of the Acts of 1903; as rewritten and amended by Chapter 298 of the Private Acts of 1972 and as amended by Chapter 73 of the Private Acts of 1987; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to elections.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Article III, Section 3.02 of Chapter 328 of the Acts of 1903, as rewritten and amended by Chapter 298 of the Private Acts of 1972 and as amended by Chapter 73 of the Private Acts of 1987, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by adding the following language at the end of such section:

All natural persons residing outside the corporate limits of the city but within the territorial limits of Roane County, who meet the residency requirements prescribed by the election laws of the State of Tennessee and who own not less than one-half (1/2) interest in a taxable freehold, or husband and wife who own a taxable freehold as tenants by the entirety within the city limits at time of registration and at the time of the election, shall be entitled to vote in a city election; provided, however, that for the purposes of this subsection, all persons residing outside the corporate limits of the city and owning a

time-share estate as it is defined in Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 66-32-102, within the city limits, shall not be considered the owner of a taxable freehold and shall not be entitled to vote in such election. The nonresident qualified voter shall vote in a precinct assigned by the election commission and the voter shall, within the time required for registration of voters on such election, provide evidence, satisfactory to the Roane County Election Commission, that the voter is a qualified voter in the upcoming election. A qualified voter residing outside of the city limits shall not be entitled to run for or hold office to any elective position.

SECTION 2. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the legislative body of the City of Kingston. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the legislative body and certified to the secretary of state.

SECTION 3. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective upon being approved as provided in Section 2.